



## ON THE KOLAM: LECTURE & WORKSHOP

The **Kolam** or **Rangoli** is a woman's domestic expressive art. Created with organic materials such as rich flour, flowers, or sand, these intricate patterns decorate the thresholds of homes and worship spaces across India. They are an ephemeral art, and are drawn anew by women daily, while elaborate decorations are created for festivals, weddings and any happy event. Sometimes, women may create beautiful, intricate kolams as a form of imaginative, creative expression.

A range of kolams have been created on the threshold of the Mondavi Center, UC Davis.

### Lecture and Workshop on Kolam/Rangoli: Womens' Domestic Art Saturday, October 8

4-6 PM

Robert and Margrit Mondavi Center for the Performing Arts  
UC Davis

4:00-5:00 PM

Professor Vijaya Nagarajan will deliver a lecture on the mathematics of the kolam.

5:00-6:00 PM

The local community is invited to learn how to draw kolams and rangolis from accomplished kolam artists.

*This event is part of the India in the Artist's Eye Series at the Mondavi Center.*

*It is free and open to the public.*

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Kolam by Harini Muralidharan decorating the threshold of the Mondavi Center.

